(c) Sinca the L.N. Mithila University has been established under an Act of the Bihar legsila-ture it does not require any recognition from the UGC and has the right to confer or grant degrees irrespective of whether it was declared fit for assistance under Section 12-B of the UGC Act.

Submission of details of functioning of National Airport Authority be included in the Public enterprises Survey

1905. Dr. BAPU KALDATE : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether the National Air- j port Authority of India has sub- j mitted its details of functioning for 1986-87 and 1987-88 for inclusion in public Enterprises Survery issued by Ministry of Industry ;

(b) if not, what are the reasons the refor ; and

(c) whether it is a fact that the total investment as on March 31, 1988 was accounted for Rs. 71,125.78 crores ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CrVH, AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIV RAJ PATIL) : (a) and (b) The National Airports Authority submitted broad details of its functioning for the year 1986-87 and 1987-88 for the Public enterprises survey. However, since the initial capital structure and the financial pattern of the Authority have not been decided, the B.P.E. did not include information regarding National Airports Authority for the year 1986-87 and 1987-88.

(c) The total investment in 225 central public enterprises as on 31-3-1988 is Rs. 71,125.7 8 crores.

Construction of Colaba Urban and Sewree Nhava Sheva link Road

1906. SHRI SUBRAMA NIAN SWAMY : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Maharashtra Government has approached the Central Government for approval with regard to the construction of the Colaba-Uran and Sewree Nhava Sheva Link Road Project 8 in and around Bombay;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Central Government had allowed the Nhava-Sheva Port only on the condition that no bridge will be constructed in its vicinity;

(c) if so, what is the Central Government's response to the Bridge Project; and

(d) what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) to (d) The Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Slum colony Shivkriya on Railway Land in Bombay

1907. SHRI SUBRAMA NIAN SWAMY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of a slum colony known as "Shivkriya" on Railway Land at Vidya Vihar, near the proposed Kurla Railway Terminal in Bombay ;

(b) what is the total area of this slum colony and the total number of structure, on this plot ;

(c) whether the Railway Administration requires this land for the Railway Terminal or for any other project;

(d) if so, whether the slum dwellers of this colny are being shifted to any alternative site ; and

(e) what are the exact details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRl MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) Yes, Sir. This colony is known as "Shivkripa Chawl".

(b) There are five structures consisting of 62 units. The total area under occupation is 11,160 square feet.

(c) The land is required for undertaking the phase II works connected with the proposed Kurla Railway Terminal.

(d) They will be required to be shifted before the phase II works are taken up.

(e) The details are being worked out in consultation with the State Government.

Rail accidents

1908. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) what are the details of major and minor rail accidents during the last six months;

(b) whether these accidents were more in comparison to the corresponding period of last year, and if so, what are the details in this regard ;

(c) what is the estimated loss to the Railways on these accidents during the last six months; and

(d) what is the amount recovered from the Insurance companies on this account ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD) : (a) There were 283 consequential train accidents, including 195 to goods trains, during the period November 1988—April 1989. These comprised 18 collisions, 231 derailments, 32 accidents at level crossings and 2 cases of fire in trains.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The loss on account of these accidents has been estimated to be of the order of Rs. 751.55 lakhs.

(d) As per existing practice, government assets are not insured in the country and, as such, the question of recovery from insurance companies does not arise.

Suburban passengers in Bombay

1909. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of suburban passengers who travelled in Bombay on Railways (i) Western Railway and (i) Central Railway during the last three years ;

(b) what is the number of Ticket Collectors in Bombay on (i) Western Railway and (ii) Central Railway during the said period ; and

(c) what steps Government are taking to increase the number of Ticket Collectors.

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD) : (a) Number of passengers who travelled in suburban trains :